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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

A general strike of miners in the Pittsburg bituminous coal regions is looked for April 1st, when operators intend to reduce wages. —— Theo. Roosevelt inaugurated Governor of New York. —— President and Mrs. McKinley "received" at the White House yesterday; there was a great throng of callers. —— Havana evacuated by the Spanish Sunday; the city was quiet. —— Advices from Iloilo, dated Friday, said that Gen. Miller was preparing to land American troops and move on the city, despite protest of Filipino insurgents. —— About one-half of the members of the Legislature have arrived in Raleigh; there are many candidates for places; Judge Connor seems to be in the lead for the speakership; a combination from the western part of the State for his defeat. —— Representative Dingley of Maine is sick in Washington and his condition critical. —— A terrible storm is reported in the Irish channel. —— A fierce fight is being made against the re-election of Senator Quay.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 2.

Temperature: 8 A.M., 18 deg.; 8 P.M., 33deg.; maximum, 40 deg.; minimum, 29 deg.; mean, 64 deg.

Rainfall for the day, —; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, T.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—For North and South Carolina: Partly cloudy weather; not so cold; fresh northeast to west winds.

Port Almanac---Jan. 3.

Sun Rises	7.14 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.56 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 42 M.
High Water at Southport	11.47 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	3.17 P. M.

While we are shipping apples to Europe, a ship-load of Japanese oranges is the latest novelty in New York.

It is said that Harding Davis, the writer and newspaper correspondent, will soon marry a Chicago lady. He will not invite Gen. Shafter to his bridal party.

The New York Inspectors of the Board of Health have recently seized a consignment of horseflesh sent to that city for table use. Is horseflesh prohibited by law in New York?

A New York woman became so much absorbed on a bargain counter that she forgot everything for twenty-four hours. The bargain counter has a dazing effect on many women.

In an address in London on the future of trade, Mr. James Brice, member of Parliament, says Great Britain and the United States must look to the East, and cultivate the Chinaman.

If we have, as Gen. Merritt says, "outgrown the constitution," we have been doing entirely too much expanding. We may be troubled with growing pains if this thing keeps on.

Rev. Sam Small, who is a chaplain of the Third Engineers, U. S. V., says the army chaplain is a sort of a sop to church sentiment. As Sam draws a salary of $200 a month, he doesn't object to sops of that kind.

The fact that Admiral Dewey wants an astute statesman to go to Manila to ascertain the wishes and aspirations of the Filipinos may indicate that he thinks their wishes should be taken into consideration, instead of simply taking them in.

A catastrophe to a bird on a Texas railroad killed the bird but prevented a catastrophe to the train. The bird flew against the headlight, smashed the glass and compelled the train to run cautiously and thus prevented it from running into obstructions that had been put on the track to derail the train.

Having whipped out the Yerkes street railway franchise in Chicago the war cry now is no seat no fare. The denizens claim that it is not fair to take fare and give no seat. But the average American would rather take his chances on standing than wait for the next car. The no seat is as much the fault of the public as of the car management.

A Porto Rican delegation is now in New York on the way to see President McKinley. In conversation one of them, Senor Hostos, says Porto Rico wants to come in as one of the family, not as a servant, to come in as a territory, preparatory to Statehood after awhile, and not as a mere colony, to remain outside, and he might have added to be plucked for the benefit of others. After her experience with Spain Porto Rico is not enamored of the colony business.

Since Christmas there have been ten failures of houses in New York that make a specialty of Christmas goods. Not one of them advertised. The houses that advertised did a splendid business and are running right along. The business man of gumption always advertises.

Cotton buyers in Japan complain of the frauds practiced in American cotton by short weight, bad packing, sand, dirt, &c. Not only the shipper but the cotton planter suffers by this.

The only assets actor Seabrooke gave in when he went into bankruptcy was one scarf pin, and the question is how can that be divided among his creditors.

A murderer in Missouri before being hanged was permitted to make a speech and sing two songs. His farewell appearance.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Wil. Cotton Mills—Notice.
J. A. Taylor—New business.
King Grocery Co—The new year

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—To rent rooms.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. H. C. McNair, of Maxton, is in the city on a business visit.

— Mr. Geo. D. Brooks, of Greensboro, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. E. Thigpen, of Chadbourn, was here on business yesterday.

— Judge Dossey Battle favored the STAR office with a call yesterday.

— Mr. J. B. Hanks, of Raleigh, was registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Mr. J. L. Jones, of Rocky Point, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Mr. Geo. E. Hood, a rising young attorney of Raleigh, is in the city on professional business.

— Mr. Charles Hill, a clever young man from Newbern, is in the city on business. He hopes to locate here.

ARRANGING FOR THE PLAY.

Mr. Hewlette and L. A. W. Clubmen Making Elaborate Preparations for the Entertainment Friday Night.

Details for the theatrical entertainment by Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hewlette, and local talent, at the Opera House Friday night, are being rapidly perfected. The first feature of the evening will be the presentation of a minstrel reception, "The Wheelman's Mecca. A number of the L. A. W. wheelmen will take a prominent part. Then there will be vaudeville features. There will be selections by the Carolina Mandolin Club. And Mr. and Mrs. Hewlette will present a society satire, "Half Past Nine," and a German comedy, "Wanted an Actor.'"

"A Trip to Cuba," written by Mr. Hewlette, will be presented.

Mr. Hewlette and the members of the L. A. W. Club are leaving no stone unturned in their efforts to make the entertainment thoroughly successful.

Gone to Their Homes.

The visiting members of the University of North Carolina Dramatic Club have all left Wilmington for their respective homes after having spent, as they declare, a most delightful time in the city. It will be remembered that they came last Friday, gave their superb entertainment at the Opera House on that night and subsequently were tendered a series of complimentary social functions.

The boys have gone to their homes to spend the remaining days of their vacation. Mr. Everett Lockett left yesterday for Winston, Mr. Jno. Carr returned to Durham, Mr. Ike Harris to Chapel Hill, Mr. George Vick to Selma, Mr. C D. Gruver to Stroudsburg, Pa., and Mr. W. A. Reynolds to Chapel Hill.

Stole an Overcoat.

Thos. Kelly, colored, was locked up by the city officers yesterday charged with the larceny of an overcoat from Wesley Lane, also colored, who lives on Sixth street between Harnett and Swann. Lane alleges that the coat was stolen from his house and that Kelly sold it to a white man in "Brooklyn." He recovered his coat and upon the affidavit of the man to whom the coat was sold Lane had him locked up.

Vases and Woven Wire Springs.

Attention is directed to the advertisement of Mr. N. F. Parker, the furniture man, in to-day's STAR. In Sunday's STAR his advertisement erroneously announced white enamel beds with brass "bases" and "worm" wire springs. It should have been brass "vases" and "woven" wire springs. It goes without saying that "Nick" can furnish you anything in the furniture line.

Wooden Wedding Celebrated.

A large company of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Hanson Collins gathered at Mr. and Mrs. Collins' home on Second street between Mulberry and Walnut last night and shared the pleasures of a delightful celebration of the wooden wedding of the host and hostess. The entertainment was delightful and Mr. and Mrs. Collins were highly congratulated.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Much Business Transacted at An Important Meeting Held Last Night.

A VINDICATORY RESOLUTION.

The Board's Attitude As to Bar-Room Licenses—Several Committees Reinforced—Firemen's Insurance Scheme—Other Matters.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held at 8 o'clock last night.

Those present were Mayor Waddell, presiding, Aldermen Skelding, Sprunt, Hanby, West, MacRae, Montgomery, Spencer and Taylor.

Alderman Taylor made a few remarks in vindication of the recent action of the board with reference to the renewal of liquor licenses and offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this board have not considered the liquor question *per se*, and that in granting licenses the sole question was the fitness of the applicant and propriety of location; that in refusing to grant any and every license we were actuated by no other motive than the conservation of the public good, and in reference to several of the cases strong representations against granting licenses to localities in question were made by some of the best citizins in the immediate vicinity. That the subject of house, of ill fame has given this board no little concern; that we are prepared now and always to suppress the evil if any citizen will furnish evidence sufficient to prosecute successfully; want of such evidence being the only obstacle to the suppression of the evil. That these houses exist, the public is morally certain, and in the absence of evidence necessary to procure legal conviction this Board take it to be their plain duty to abate the evil by every legitimate means. That the sale of liquor in close proximity to a house of this character must inevitably contribute to aggravate the evil, and in refusing to license the sale of liquor in such localities we are acting within our legal limits and exercising that discretion in the use of power which, while it does not abridge the rights of legitimate business, protects the public good against a contributory agency of evil. That the cost of policing localities where houses of ill fame and bars are in close proximity is out of all proportion to tax returns as compared with property otherwise situated; for example, it requires four policemen to protect the blocks facing on Fourth, between Church and Castle streets, with an aggregate taxable property of $40,000, while the business block on which The Orton House is situated, with a tax valuation of $170,000, is policed with one man. We submit that this is an item for taxpayers to consider. This Board feels that they are discharging their public duty in their course in this matter, and that they have the support of all good citizens, irrespective of vocation.

The Mayor announced the following appointments of new members to the various committees:

Finance Committee—Jno. H. Hanby.

Market Committee—F. A. Montgomery.

Public Building Committee—Jno. H. Hanby (chairman), F. A. Montgomery and C. L. Spencer.

Sanitary Committee—Jno. H. Hanby.

Water Works Committee—C. L. Spencer.

Hospital Committee—F. A. Montgomery.

Ordinance Committee—C. L. Spencer.

Alderman Sprunt, for the Water Works committee, reported that work on the artesian well was progressing nicely and that a depth of from 900 to 1,000 feet has already been reached.

Alderman Skelding detailed a scheme of accident insurance for firemen which he thought would be well for the city to adopt for the protection of the members of the paid department in the event they should be injured in the discharge of their duty. No action was taken, however, on the suggestion.

Resignations were read from Sergeant Sallings and Night Janitor W. H. Lane, the former to take effect at once and the latter to take effect January 5th. Sergeant Sallings' resignation was accepted and the appointment of his successor referred to the Police Committee for recommendation, temporary arrangements to be made pending the election of his successor. The resignation of Mr. Lane was accepted and the matter of the appointment of his successor was referred to the Public Buildings Committee.

An application from Mr. B. R. King for the office of sergeant was referred to the Police Committee.

A communication from citizens calling attention to the unsightly and undesirable crossing at corner of Third and Mulberry streets was referred favorably to the Streets and Wharves Committee.

Alderman Sprunt also called the attention of the Board to an unsightly and dangerous gutter under the board walk on Walnut street.

Dr. McMillan's report as Superintendent of Health, and Chief Schnibben's monthly report of the fire department were approved.

Dr. McMillan and City Engineer McRee, representing the Board of Health, were present and recommended more systematic work in the scavenger department of the city. Alderman Hanby, of the sanitary committee, reported that his committee had in charge and would be prepared to make a report in a few days.

Alderman Taylor, of the Street and Wharves Committee, reported that some steps should be taken to remedy the sanitary condition of the southern portion of the city through which "Watch Drain" runs. He submitted drawings and plans for permanent improvements along this line and stated that the cost would not exceed $3,020, according to an estimate of the city engineer.

Dr. McMillan thought that "Jacob's Run" and "Tan Yard Bottom," open sewers more centrally located, required more extensive and immediate improvement.

The matter was fully discussed by Aldermen Worth, Sprunt, Skelding, Taylor, Dr. McMillan and City Engineer McRee.

A motion at length prevailed, seconded by Alderman McRae, that, the Board of Audit and Finance concurring, the city appropriate $3,000 for permanent improvements to "Jacob's Run" and "Tanyard Bottom."

A motion also prevailed that the Mayor appoint a committee composed of two members each from the Finance and Sanitary Committees to look into the matter of the "Watch Drain" sewer to determine what improvements were required and what amount of money was required for the work.

Upon this committee the Mayor appointed Aldermen MacRae, Worth, Hanby and West.

Reducing Police Force.

The matter of reducing the police force was then introduced by Alderman Skelding, who thought for the sake of economy and other reasons the force should be reduced.

Alderman MacRae also favored the reduction upon the ground of economy and because the conditions were now more favorable to peace.

Alderman Taylor moved that the force be cut down to the number employed by former administrations, which Clerk Struthers stated to the board was 31, including officers.

Alderman Sprunt did not favor such a large reduction and thought 40 should be the minimum.

Mayor Waddell stated that he did not think the conditions were so favorable to peace; that in a great measure the present quiet of the city was due to the vigilance of the police force under the efficient leadership of Chief Parmele.

Alderman MacRae seconded Alderman Taylor's motion and it was carried by a vote of 5 to 4.

Upon motion of Alderman MacRae, the police committee was empowered to dismiss a sufficent number of men to bring the number in accord with Aldermen Taylor's motion, which provides for 26 privates, 3 seargeants, 1 captain and 1 chief of police.

The committee will meet at the City Hall at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon for this purpose.

The report of Wm. Struthers, treasurer, showed that for the month $42,-616.15 had been collected on taxes for the present year. The Mayor commended Mr. Struthers and stated that this was the best report ever submitted.

THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Secretary Smith Gratified at the Progress Being Made in the Work—The Star Course.

Secretary Smith, of the Young Men's Christian Association, is much pleased with the progress being made in the association work. He reports that the five o'clock Sunday afternoon meetings are being well attended and are growing in interest. Last Sunday there were well nigh a hundred people in attendance.

The address by Dr. Blackwell on "Opportunities" was quite an able effort and is much complimented by every one who heard it. Mrs. W. L. Latta's solo is also much praised as an especially sweet feature of the service.

Next Sunday afternoon Mr. D. B. Strouse, the lay evangelist, will be the speaker and Secretary Smith is arranging for a special musical attraction.

It now seems definitely decided that the first number of series of entertainments under the auspices of the Star Course and Wilmington Lyceum will be given on the evening of the 9th inst. However, there is still uncertainty as to what the attraction will be. Secretary Smith thinks that he will be able in a few days to make definite announcement. Seats for the series of events can now be reserved at the Association apartments.

The night school will resume lessons for the Spring term to-night.

DELIGHTFUL SOUND PARTY.

A Merry Company of Wilmingtonians and Fair Visitors Spent Yesterday at the Sound.

Quite a party of Wilmington's foremost society folk and several visiting young ladies were the participants in a highly enjoyable sound party yesterday. The event was given by the young men complimentary to the visiting young ladies. The day was spent on the Sound and the round of pleasant pastimes usually attendant upon such occasions were heartily enjoyed by the merry company. The participants were:

Ladies—Miss Hawkins, of Tarboro; Miss Wright, of Portsmouth; Miss Busbee, of Raleigh; Miss Lucy Latham, Miss Jennie Peck, Miss Mary Treat Peck, Miss Anna Peck, Miss Lizzie Peck, Miss Sue McQueen, Miss Della Clark, Miss Lina Wiggins, Miss Augusta Wiggins, Miss Kate Harlowe and Miss Emma West.

Gentlemen—Mr. Thos. W. Davis, Mr. Champ McD. Davis, Mr. Geo. James, Mr. Will Crow, Mr. Ed Wood, Mr. O. P. Peck, Mr. O. A. Wiggins, Jr., Mr. Mr. Henry Peschau, Mr. Jno. Peschau, Mr. Walter Daggett, Mr. C. A. Angel and Mr. Bob Nash.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Policeman C. D. Frost is temporarily acting as sergeant, in place of Mr. Louis Sallings, resigned.

— Licenses were issued yesterday for the marriage of Miss Sallie Ward to Mr. C. A. Taylor, both of Wilmington.

— Although several cases were on the Mayor's docket yesterday, there was no session of the court on account of the holiday.

— The Produce Exchange was closed yesterday on account of New Year's holiday. For this reason no local produce markets are published this morning.

— For the four months of the present crop year, to January 1st, 268,558 bales of cotton have been received on the local market. For the four corresponding months last year 270,393 bales were received.

— An infant was left by unknown parties at the home of Mrs. M. L. Brown, 1201 North Fourth street, last night. Some one slipped into the house and put the child on the bed. There is no clue to its identity.

— Capt. Donald MacRae, treasurer of the Wilmington Cotton Mills, gives notice that the regular semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. has been declared on the preferred stock of that corporation, payable January 1st.

— The pantry of Mrs. Waxman, who resides on Dock street, between Fifth and Sixth, was burglarized Sunday night and a quantity of provisions taken therefrom. This is the second time within the past few weeks that Mrs. Waxman's pantry has been robbed.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Discussed Legality of Renewing Rejected Liquor Licenses and Heard Arguments of Attorneys.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held yesterday afternoon, with the following members present: Col. Roger Moore, Capt. Jno. D. Barry and Mr. W. F. Alexander.

The principal business that was transacted was the consideration of the rejected applications from the Board of Aldermen, for the renewal of liquor licenses.

George Rountree, Esq., as counsel for Frank B. Brown, one of the applicants refused renewal by the aldermen, argued that the commissioners in the case in question had a right to consider the applications, regardless of the action of the city authorities. Herbert McClammy, Esq., counsel for A. V. Horrell; E. K. Bryan, Esq., counsel for C. Frederick, and Marsden Bellamy, Esq., counsel for E. P. H. Strunck and H. D. Oldenbuttel, submitted the same argument in behalf of their respective clients, after which W. B. McKoy, Esq., attorney for the Board of Commissioners, stated that in his opinion the Board had no legal right to consider them after they had been disapproved by the Board of Aldermen.

Mr. W. H. Sprunt also appeared before the Board and entered a vigorous protest against the issuance of any licenses to those who had been refused by the Board of Aldermen. He said that the Board of Aldermen had made a most thorough investigation of the matter and had satisfied themselves beyond a doubt that in refusing these parties license, they were acting for the best interests of the good people of the city.

City Attorney T. W. Strange, upon request, gave an opinion similar to that of W. B. McKoy, county attorney.

Col. Roger Moore, chairman of the Board of Commissioner, stated that in his opinion the Commissioners had no legal right to consider them: but upon motion of Mr. Alexander it was the pleasure of the Board to give them consideration.

Upon motion, H. D. Oldenbuttel, 920 Market street, was granted a renewal.

The applications of J. T. Doscher, Geo. T. Shepard and the Cape Fear Club, which had been previously approved by the Aldermen, were granted by the commissioners.

The renewal of licenses to A. V. Horrell, F. K. J. Fuchs and C. Fredericks were not granted.

Upon motion the renewal of license to E. P. H. Strunck, corner Fourth and Church streets, was deferred until this morning at 11 o'clock, when the matter will receive attention.

The report of Dr. McMillan, County Superintendent of Health, was read and approved. It shows that for the month 83 patients have been treated in his office. He has made 62 visits to 56 patients at their homes. Very little sickness is reported among the county poor. The sanitary condition of the jail he found very much better than when last reported; the food served to prisoners was abundant and the treatment was kind and humane. The county home was also reported in good condition.

M. Blackledge and Geo. Murray, both colored, were relieved of poll tax, it appearing the former was too old and the latter too young to pay poll tax.

Upon motion the board took a recess until 11 o'clock this morning.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure promp and regular delivery.

Turner's North Carolina Almanacs for 1899, for sale by Robt. R. Bellamy.

FOOT BALL GAME IN FAYETTEVILLE.

Wilmington Defeated—Fayetteville Team Packed With Expert Players from a Distance.

The Wilmington O. A. N. foot ball team was defeated in the game of foot ball yesterday afternoon with the Fayetteville team. The score was 16 to 0. The trouble was that the Fayetteville team was reinforced with several college players of note and were well practiced together, while the Wilmington team had not had a single practice and were all home boys who had only played one game this season. They, however, very much enjoyed the trip, save that three of the players were injured more or less seriously. Bellamy had his knee slightly injured. Latham's shoulder was painfully hurt in a scrimmage. Holland sustained a painful punch in the ribs, which it is feared has strained certain ribs which had been previously broken. Sinclair also came out of the game a little worse for the wear.

Among those who went up to Fayetteville yesterday morning with the Wilmington eleven were Capt. T. C. James, Junius Davis, W. L. Moore, Will Taylor, J. J. Hopkins, and Dave Sinclair, Manager W. S. Bernard and Capt. Sinclair left here Sunday night as was announced Sunday morning to prepare the way for the coming of the team and to induce as many ladies as possible to wear the Wilmington team's colors. That they succeeded well is evidenced by the *Observer's* statement that "many of Fayetteville's prettiest girls wore Wilmington colors."

Yesterday's Fayetteville *Observer* referred as follows to the game:

Fayetteville has been foot ball mad to-day. Everybody and everything is decorated with red, the Fayetteville colors. No, not everybody, by a long sight, for some of our prettiest girls are wearing the red and blue—Wilmington's colors. Then there are a number of rooters, who accompanied the team from Wilmington, and they are covered from head to foot with bunting, and are right handy with the throat, too.

Mr. T. M. Emerson's private car was attached to the train from Wilmington, and it contained Mr. and Mrs. N. N. Davis and twenty or thirty of Wilmington's fair daughters.

Wilmington's team is a very strong one and the physique of its members superb.

Fayetteville's team contains splendid material and some of its members have almost a national reputation, and though not as heavy as their Wilmington opponents, are, if anything, more skillful, and have an unbounded amount of grit.

The game was called promptly at noon, and the line up was as follows:

Fayetteville.	Position.	Wilmington.
Sutton	r e	Moore
Short	l e	Southerland
Lambeth (c)	q b	McMillan
Hamer	r g	Wilson
Rose	l g	Parker
Fowle	r t	Wannamaker
McArthur	l t	Latham
Watson	c	Holland
McFadyen	r h b	Bellamy
Stevens	l h b	Hatch
MacRae	f b	Sinclair. (c)

Before the game began Captains Lambeth and Sinclair both expressed themselves as confident of a victory for their respective teams.

LATER.

Fayetteville defeated Wilmington by a score of 16 to 0. It was a noble game, splendidly fought by both teams. The game was called at 2 o'clock sharp and it was fifteen minutes to four when time was called.

CIRCUIT CRIMINAL COURT.

The Business Session Will Begin To-day. Convened for the Term Yesterday Morning.

Judge Dossey Battle and Solicitor Rodolph Duffy, of the Circuit Criminal court, arrived in the city yesterday morning to attend the January term of the court which will be in session in this city during the present week and probably part of next week. Yesterday morning at 10 o'clock Judge Battle formally convenced the court and immediately took a recess until 10 o'clock this morning. This was done in compliance with a notice recently published in the STAR providing that the first business session of the court be convened at 10 o'clock to-day. Jurors, witnesses, defendants, etc., will be on hand at the court house this morning and the business of the court will be taken up and pushed as rapidly as possible.

The people of Wilmington most heartily welcome Judge Dossey Battle to the city and are especially pleased to have him preside over the sessions of their court. He is making a fair and impartial judge.

The session of the court here will be of almost two weeks duration. The great bulk of the cases are for petty offences.

Officers Installed Last Night.

At the regular meeting of Campbell Encampment No. 1 I. O. O. F., held last night, the following officers were installed for the ensuing term:

C. P.—F. P. Baldwin.
H. P.—W. H. Badon.
S. W.—E. F. Johnson.
J. W.—A. W. Allen.
Scribe.—W. H. Howell.
Treas.—N. Jacobi.
O. S.—W. G. T. Keen.
I. G.—L. L. Corbett.
Guide.—Alex. Boon.
1st. W.—F. LaFella.
2nd. W.—M. Kirschbaum.
3rd. W.—W. W. Yopp.
4th. W.—J. E. Gordon.
G. of T.—L. L. Boon.
G. of T.—J. O. Wiggs.

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The New Year.

Almost every one make their good resolutions at this time. We have made ours, and it is to INCREASE OUR BUSINESS. In order to do this we realize that we must supply our friends with the BEST AND PUREST of everything in the Grocery line. We desire to guarantee this. We are better equipped to serve our customers by polite and prompt attention than ever before. We invite you over to see us to convince you of this fact. We call your attention to our **Heat Patent Flour at 2 1-2c per pound**, a lot of good **Mixed Candies at 7c.** We have a nice lot of N. C. Hams, and generally have on hand fresh Country Produce of all descriptions. Call on or send us your orders. Respectfully,

THE KING GROCERY CO.
B. F. KING, MANAGER.
Phone 38. Fourth Street Bridge
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PREPARING FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Representatives Rountree and Willard Go to Raleigh—Bill Changing the City's Charter Already Drawn.

George Rountree, Esq., and Mr. Martin Willard, representatives of this county in the lower house of the General Assembly, are perfecting arrangements for attendance upon the sessions of that body which convenes Wednesday at noon. Mr. George Rountree left for Raleigh last night and Mr. Willard will go this morning. They in conjunction with the special committee from the Chamber of Commerce have already drafted a bill providing for the amendment of the charter of Wilmington, so as to repeal the amendment made by the Legislatures of 1895 and 1897 and re-enact the laws concerning the city existing at the time of the ratification of the act in 1895. Provision is also to be made for the regulation of the city government in detail where it is deemed that changes are needed. Provision is to be made for a Police and Fire Commission of three members, to be elected by the Board of Aldermen, and also for the enactment of a new law governing primary elections. The bill is to be introduced as early as possible after the Assembly convenes.

LUCKY HAUL BY POLICEMAN.

John Williams Arrested and Lot of Stolen Clothes Recovered.

Jno. Williams alias Josh Walker, colored, was arrested yesterday morning about 2 o'clock by policeman W. D. George on the charge of being drunk and asleep in an out-house on the rice mill premises, on Chesnut street. When arrested a coat, four or five pairs of pants and a vest were found in his possession, and of course were taken in charge by the officers at the City Hall until Williams was released.

Yesterday, some time after the arrest of the negro, W. H. McNeill, a tailor on Market street, went to the City Hall to report the robbery of his place, which occurred on the night previous, and was surprised to find, after describing the property, that the officers had recovered the goods and had the supposed thief already captured.

McNeill's place was entered by forcing a window open in the rear, and he did not miss the articles until he opened his store, as usual, yesterday morning.

Williams claims that he bought the goods from two other colored men on the streets, but his story is not generally believed by the officers. He will be tried to-day.

— Mr. J. R. Boykin, of Wilson, was one of the welcome visitors to the city yesterday. He was the guest of his brother, Mr. B. F. Boykin.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

The Wilmington Cotton Mills has declared a Semi-annual Dividend of 3 per cent. on its preferred stock, payable January 1st, 1899.

ja 3 1t D. MACRAE, Treasurer.

N. F. PARKER.

Furniture, Furniture Novelties No. 17 S. Front St.

White Enamel Bed with Brass Vases and Caps, Woven Wire Spring, Soft Top Mattress, Feather Pillow; $6.9 cash for the outfit. On sale till January 7th only. ja 1 tf

New Business.

Having retired from the firm of J. C. Stevenson & Taylor, I shall engage in the WHOLESALE GROCERY business about January 10th. My policy will be to sell to Dealers Exclusively.

J. A. TAYLOR.

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Our Entire Stock At Cost

BEFORE STOCK TAKING.

Taylor's Bazaar,

de 18 tf 118 Market Street.

FIREWORKS! FIREWORKS!

I HAVE THEM AND THEY MUST BE SOLD AT A

GREAT REDUCTION.

Come and get prices on Cannon Crackers, Sky Rockets and Roman Candles. Don't forget my X-mas Candies and Fruits, Nuts, &c.

JOHN W. PLUMMER, Jr.

de 23 tf 123 Princess Street.

"They fit the feet as nature intended."

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Dead Turkeys and live ones.
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Dissolution.

The firm of J. C. Stevenson & Taylor is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The liabilities of the firm will be paid upon presentation to James C Stevenson who continues the business as heretofore at the same place.

(Signed) JAMES C. STEVENSON,
ja 1 1w J. A. TAYLOR.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 3.

SOUTHERN PROGRESS IN 1898.

The Manufacturers' Record, than which there is no better informed or more reliable authority on industrial movment in the South, summing up the progress made last year says:

"The record of advance made by the South during the past year, and at the same time promise of greater development during the coming year, includes the following facts:

"The corn crop exceed that of 1897 by more than one hundred million bushels.

"Nearly eleven hundred miles of railroad were built, and a greater mileage is under construction or contracted for.

"More than five million dollars were invested in iron and steel plants and allied undertakings.

"More than three hundred thousand spindles and more than five thousand looms are were added to textile mills.

"Seven developments of water-powers for electrical purposes were begun or planned.

"More than three thousand industries of various kinds were founded or projected upon definite grounds.

"With agriculturists turning their attention to greater diversification of crops, investors building up minor industries in small cities and towns, merchants welding new links of commerce, railroads pushing into almost virgin fields, with Southern iron and steel moving along with Southern coal to distant foreign parts, Southern men and men of other parts of the country interested in the South are facing 1899 in lively hope."

This is the summary in brief, which it carries on the title page of issue of December 30th, of the detailed statement it gives of the industries established and of the progress made, a most interesting statement, showing that the South is not only holding her own, but that in industrial development, in the shop, the factory and the field she is leading the other sections.

The following table, which we clip from this statement, shows the character and number of the industries established:

Telephone systems	119
Machine shops and foundries	34
Stove foundries	7
Fertilizer and phosphate works	13
Miscellaneous iron and steel plants	23
Woodworking factories	304
Furniture factories	20
Vehicle factories	15
Aricultural implement works	3
Mining and quarrying companies	206
Textile mills	68
Flour mills	127
Cotton compresses	30
Cottonseed-oil mills	48
Brick works	22
Canneries	41
Ice and cold storage plants	90
Electric light and power plants	69
Gas works	9
Water works	43
Miscellaneous	1,716
Total	3,007

This, including large and small, is nearly ten a day for every working day in the year, with the probabilities that there are some which have not been reported. The table does not show the additions to some of the industries, enlargement of plants, &c., to increase the capacity for production, a good deal of which has been done, and which is practically equivalent to the establishment of new industries.

One of the most gratifying features of this exhibit is the increase in the number of iron and steel works and of wood working establisments, such as machine shops, foundries and agricultural implement manufactories, each of which are to become in time mighty factors in the South's progress and prosperity.

There are inestimable possibilities in iron. It is what might be called a royal industry. It is an industry that requires and must have intelligent management through all its varied stages, from the sinking of the shaft by the miner to the smelting of the ore and the putting of it in the market in its final finished form, as a surgical blade, a hammer, a plow, an anchor or a locomotive or the many thousands of other things in the making of which it cannot be dispensed with.

Every land savage or civilized needs it, and as civilization extends and progress increases iron goes with them and grows their growth. The demand for consumption increases constantly and will continue to increase, and the indications are that whatever the production may be there will still be sufficient margin for profit to encourage production. It is not a matter of election, but of necessity, with those who use it for they must have it. It has no rival, nothing to compete with it. The only competition is of iron against iron, and the iron that can get into the market in the best shape, at the lowest price, other things being equal, is the iron that will command the world's money.

In this competition the iron (in which we include steel) of the United States leads the world, and the iron of the South leads the United States. This means much for the United States, and much for the South, more for the South than for any other section of the United States. It will mean more for the South in the future than it does now, for thus far our iron men have shipped in crude forms and secured only a small portion of the possible profit when the crude is converted into finished form. This is why we say that one of the most gratifying and encouraging features of the table printed above is the increase in the number of iron and of wood working establishments which use iron in connection with wood.

This country now ships large quantities of iron and steel manufactures to all parts of the world, railroad locomotives, steel rails, agricultural implements, mechanics' tools, and various other articles, but so far as we know none of these go from the South, although the South furnishes much of the metal that goes into them. The day will come when she will be shipping these instead of supplying the crude material for others to make them and then she will reap the full profit.

What is there to prevent Birmingham, in time, from rivalling Pittsburg as a manufacturer of steel rails, or Philadelphia as a manufacturer of locomotives and other machinery? She may never do it, for Pittsburg and Philadelphia have got the start, have unlimited capital, they have studied the business and understand it thoroughly, but the possibilities before Birmingham, Ensley and other Southern iron centers are immense, for the industry with them is still in its infancy. We need not expect it to grow very rapily, as the cotton manufacturing industry, for instance, has, for to conduct it on a large scale requires large capital and skilled management.

The scarcity of money in the South makes it necessary that much of the money that will go into this industry must come from other sections, as much of it has already come. But it will come in time, for the roller mill and the machine shop and the agricultural implement manufactory must get near the base of supplies just as well as the cotton mill. As the cotton mill comes to the cotton field so will the iron mill come to the iron mine. The necessity for this is more imperative in the case of the iron mill than in the case of the cotton mill, for crude iron and coal will not bear the transportation cost that crude cotton will and where there is not water transportation will not bear it for any long distance.

If we had ample banking facilities in the South and money could be commanded as easily as it can be in the East and at as low interest rates, within ten years the South would be bounding to the front in the iron manufacturing industry as she is bounding to the front in the cotton manufacturing industry. But she will get there in time, for business sense will some day assert itself in our currency legislation and the handicapping restrictions may be removed.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The Legislature meets to-morrow—Wednesday—and it will not meet for a holiday, for it will have much important work to do, and much bad work to undo, in both of which cool heads and big brains that can see not only the present but into the future will be necessary. It is fortunate for the State that this Legislature will be composed of what is generally conceded to be an exceptionally able and well equipped body of men, who go to Raleigh not because they have irons in the fire, but to honestly and faithfully represent the best element of North Carolina's popularity and to work for the good of the State.

As such we have confidence in them, and while we do not expect that their action will please everybody, as very often honest and well meaning people differ materially in their views of public questions and policies, we believe their action will be such as to meet with public endorsement.

In some matters in which the people are vitally interested they know very well what is expected of them, and there is little doubt that there will be little discord or difference of opinion on these, while on others the way is not so clear and they must rely on their own good judgment and discretion. But they will, we think, be equal to the demands upon them and not disappoint the trust reposed in them.

To the Public.

We are authorized to guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and if not satisfactory to refund the money to the purchaser. There is no better medicine made for la grippe, colds and whooping cough. Price, 25c. and 50c. per bottle. Try it. R. R. BELLAMY. †

DOG IN THE MANGER.

In his notice of contest served on Mr. Bellamy, printed in the STAR Sunday morning, Mr. Dockery does not claim to have been elected, but simply that Mr. Bellamy was not rightfully elected, and while he does not expect to be seated himself he does not propose that Mr. Bellamy shall be, if he can prevent it.

If Mr. Dockery is proceeding in this matter on his own volition he is inspired by spite, which is as contemptible as his reflections on the white people of this district are unjust and insulting. If he was the only Republican candidate defeated there might be some pretence that he was defeated by intimidation and fraud, but he wasn't the only Republican defeated, for out of nine Congressional candidates there were only two Republicans elected, and in some of the districts the revolution was quite as great if not greater than it was in this. If there was intimidation and fraud in this district, there is equally good ground to allege intimidation and fraud in the others.

But the probabilities are that as Mr. Dockery does not claim to have been elected, and therefore does not expect the seat for which he contests, he s being used by others for purely political purposes, and that the money to run the contest is being furnished from the residue of the campaign fund in the hands of the machine managers in Washington, the object being to break up the Democratic organization and prevent as far as they can aggressive action in coming campaigns. White men's unions, red shirts and all that sort of thing must be prevented, if possible, while the union leagues, secret societies among the negroes, and persecution and social ostracism will be all right for the Republicans. Oliver Dockery and hs backers have undertaken a pretty large-sized job, as they will discover before they get through. Oliver is, politically speaking, a dead duck.

HOW IT WAS WON.

Among the speakers at the Laurinburg banquet was Hon. John D. Bellamy, who, in responding to the toast, "How We Won the Victory," thus summed it up in brief:

"1. By the splendid efforts of the press:

"2. By the magnificent management of our party organization.

"3. By the stubborn determination of the individual voter to win, and

"4. By the actual efforts of the candidates.

"As the campaign of 1896 was lost by dissension and distraction, the campaign of 1898 was won by union and harmony."

This completely covers the ground and every word of it is true. In no campaign within our recollection did the Democratic press of the State render more loyal, zealous or tireless service, and never within our experience was the party so thoroughly organized, or intelligently led.

But it was not so much this as it was "the stubborn determination of the individual voter to win," a determination that was never as marked or even approached in any preceding campaign. The candidates worked hard and unceasingly from the beginning to the close of the campaign and if they all did their work as thoroughly as Mr. Bellamy did his there was no nook or corner of the State where the people did not hear the issues discussed. In addition to this they were aided by a strong corps of able, eloquent and effective speakers, who voluntarily put themselves at the command of the State committee and cheerfully went where requested to go. And everywhere they found the people responsive and determined to redeem North Carolina. This was the real cause of the victory won, a victory of the people, for the people, and by the people.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Jake Arey, a young man of Morgan township, this county, died Wednesday of last week from the effects of burns received by falling in the fire. Mr. Airy was a victim of epilepsy and while in a fit fell in the fire at his home on Tuesday. He was so fearfully burned that death ensued on the following day.

— Newbern *Journal*: Mr. May died at his home in Maple Cypress, in Craven county, on last Friday, his death being due to pneumonia. — A panel in the front door of the store of William Lorch, on upper Broad street, was broken in on Friday night, and an entrance to the store effected. The money drawer was robbed of what was in it, the amount being unknown. No clue to the robber or robbers.

— Charlotte *News*: Mr. D. Coxe, a young man of Paw Creek, who has his own idea about how the Christmas holidays ought to be celebrated, went to the Catawba river a few days ago to take an old summer time bath. He went in at Elm's dam, near the old Davidson place, and after swimming several hundred yards up and down the stream came out feeling like a new man. "He was in between fifteen and thirty minutes," said an onlooker, "and he really seemed to enjoy his bath." Mr. Coxe felt so much invigorated after his bath that he doesn't see why people can't go in washing in the middle of the winter any way.

La Grippe Successfully Treated.

"I have just recovered from the second attack of la grippe this year," says Mr. James A. Jones, publisher of the *Leader*, Mexia, Tex. "In the latter case I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and I think with considerable success, only being in bed a little over two days against ten days for the former attack. The second attack I am satisfied would have been equally as bad as the first but for the use of this remedy as I had to go to bed in about six hours after being 'struck' with it, while in the first case I was able to attend to business about two days before getting 'down.'" For sale by R. R. BELLAMY. †

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— When Alger begins dealing out concessions in Cuba and Porto Rico on the well-known Alger principle of nothing-without-a-pull manifestations of gross and seditious ingratitude may be looked for from the soulless barbarians whom we have freed from Spanish tyranny and endowed with the priceless boon of liberty.—*New York Journal, Dem.*

—— Brazil having ratified the extradition treaty concluded with the United States the convention will become effective upon ratification by the Senate, and another haven ofrefuge for flying rascals will have been closed to them. Brazil has an immense and thickly wooded area, well adapted to the elusive purposes of fugitives from justice. —*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— Our friends, the expansionists, are calling everybody pro-Spanish who objects to annexing, for good, the Philippines. In fact, the objectors are pro-American. They oppose the taking of those islands because they believe it would be bad for their own country, and not because they believe our letting the islands alone will benefit Spain. The term pro-Spanish in this case might be very offensive, if it were not so very silly. — *Chattanooga Times, Dem.*

—— News comes from Missouri of the wielding of a strange new weapon against the trusts. A court has held that the statute depriving trusts of any standing in court is valid and that a debt due a trust cannot be collected. The principle underlying the statute is that a trust is an unlawful organization whose purposes are inimical to the public welfare, and that therefore a debt to a trust is like a gambling debt. The upward progress of this case through the courts will be watched closely.—*New York World, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— She—"But B never gave you any encouragement." He—"Yes, you did. Didn't you tell me your father was wealthy?"—*Brooklyn Life.*

— The Frenchman—"Americans are a race of patriots" The Cuban—"Not a bit of it! Why they never have revolutions in that country."

— Rich Little Girl—"I got a diamond ring and a big doll and a gold necklace to-day." Poor Little Girl—"That ain't nothin', I had meat for dinner!"—*Jeweler's Weekly*

— He—"Yes she is living under an assumed name." She—"Horrible! What is it?" He—"The one she assumed immediately after her husband married her."—*Syracuse Herald.*

— First New Yorker—"Did you note any resemblance between the old world and the new when you were abroad?" Second New Yorker—"Well, Jerusalem and Ireland looked familiar."—*Life.*

— "That's just like you selfish boys," said Edith, "eat all the orange yourself. You never gave me anything in your life." "Yes I did," replied Robbie. "Didn't I give you the mumps once?"

— Feminine Diplomacy: Hattie—"Would you call Nell a beauty!" Ella—"Well, that depends." Hattie—"Depends on What?" Ella—"Whether I was conversing with her or some one else."—*Chicago News.*

— Misguided man: "George, I'll have to have another $20." "Gracious goodness, Clara!" "Well, George, it's all your falt; you said I'd better make cheap Christmas presents this year instead of buying them."—*Detroit Eree Press.*

— His Point of View: "Papa, it speaks here of a burst of confidence. What does mean?" "Failure of a trusted bank," growled the old gentleman, who had just been hit had just been hit by that sort of a calamity.—*Detroit Free Press.*

— A schoolmaster had been giving a lesson on physical force. "Boys," said he, "can any one of you tell me what force it is that moves people along—for example, in the street?" "Please, sir," replied the first boy, "it's the police force!"—*Tit-Bits.*

Learning Bicychology.

Mrs. A., who has long been bitterly prejudiced against the bicycle for women, the other day announced her intention of learning to ride, and right off. "What does it mean?" inquired the astonished luncheon tableful. "What could have provoked you to such a change of heart?" "My cook," was the answer. "She rides, you know, and so, as you also know, does Mr. A., and the result hasn't been at all pleasant for me. Now, of course, I don't mean to say that the two go off biking together or anything like that, but they do find so much to say to each other.

"The wheel has established a kind of affinity between them. John really enjoys conversing with Bridget nowadays and all because she knows what he means when he talks about putting his saddle to soak and the best kind of wick for his bell and the proper height that his chain ought to be. I haven't been in it at all for some time now. I'm going to learn to ride myself, and I don't care that, for all I've said against it, I know it's a desperate remedy, but as things stands it's the only way. I'm doing it in self defense."

This is one of the soundest tributes to the fascinations of wheeling that bicycliana, or "bicychology," as a certain scorcher put it the other day, has been able to chronicle for a long time.—Exchange.

Waterproof Tents.

A German contemporary reports successful experiments in crossing rivers with waterproof tent equipments. These are spread upon the ground and covered with a bed of straw, leaves or other like matter, upon which clothing and articles of equipment are placed, and the whole is then rolled up in the form of a bundle or bale. The packages thus formed float because of the quantity of air they confine.

LET ME SAY I have used Ely's Cream Balm for catarrh and can thoroughly recommend it for what it claims. Very truly, (Rev.) H. W. Hathaway, Elizabeth, N. J.

I TRIED Ely's Cream Balm, and to all appearances am cured of catarrh. The terrible headaches from which I long suffered are gone.—W. J. Hitchcock, late Major U. S. Vol. and A. A. Gen., Buffalo, N. Y.

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POLITICAL PHRASES.

Many of Them Due to English Historians and Statesmen.

An "unfettered press" is one of the historical phrases of our language, but not every reader knows that it was coined by the celebrated Richard Brinsley Butler Sheridan. When speaking on the liberty of the press, the orator thrilled the house with the following sentence: "Give them, a corrupt house of lords, give them a venal house of commons, give them a tyrannical prince, give them a truckling court, and let me have but an unfettered press, I will defy them to encroach a hair's breadth upon the liberties of England."

The "fourth estate" is a term that is constantly applied to the press. Its origin is generally traced to Macaulay, who in his essay on "Hallam's History," in 1828, writes, "The gallery in which the reporters sit has become a fourth estate of the realm." But Hazlitt, the famous literary critic, had some five years earlier written in his "Table Talk" a sentence that must have given the idea to Lord Macaulay. Speaking of Cobbett, Hazlitt says: "He fillips the ear of the public with a three man beetle, he is too much for any single newspaper antagonist, he lays waste a city orator or a member of parliament and bears hard upon the government itself. He is a kind of fourth estate in the politics of the country."

"Looming in the future" was the invention of Lord Beaconsfield. In June, 1852, then Mr. Disraeli, he issued an election address to his constituents, the electors of Buckinghamshire, in which the following occurs: "The times are favorable to such an undertaking. Juster notions of taxation are more prevalent than heretofore. Powerful agencies are at work which have introduced new phenomena into finance and altered the complexion of the fiscal world, and the possibility of greatly relieving the burdens of the country seems to loom in the future."

"Men, not measures," is now a historic phrase. It was first uttered by Mr. Canning in a speech in 1801, in opposition to the Addington ministry, when he said: "Away with the cant of 'measures, not men'—the idle supposition that it is the harness, and not the horses, that draws the chariot along. No, sir; if the comparison must be made, if the distinction must be taken, men are everything, measures are comparatively nothing. I speak of times of difficulty and danger, when systems are shaken, when the precedents and general rules of conduct fail; then it is that not to that or to this measure—however prudently devised—but to the energy and character of individuals, a state must be indebted for its salvation."

A "gigantic innovation" is a phrase that was originated by Mr. Gladstone in a debate that took place in July, 1860, on the action of the house of lords in rejecting the bill for the abolition of paper duties. "It appears to me," said Mr. Gladstone, "to the determination of one moiety of this house that there shall be no debate upon the constitutional principles which are involved in this question, and I must say that, considering that gentlemen opposite are upon this occasion the partisans of a gigantic innovation—the most gigantic and the most dangerous that has been attempted in our times—I may compliment them upon the prudence they show in resolving to be its silent partisans."—Scraps.

A Horse's Teeth.

Every horse has six teeth above and below. Before 3 years of age he sheds his middle teeth. At 3 he sheds one more on either side of the central teeth. At 4 he sheds the two corner and last of the fore teeth. Between 4 and 5 the horse cuts the under tusks. At 5 will cut the upper tusks, at which time his mouth will be complete. At 6 years the grooves and hollows begin to fill up a little. At 7 the grooves will be well nigh filled up, except the corner teeth, leaving little brown spots where the dark brown hollows formerly were. At 8 the whole of the hollows and grooves are filled up. At 9 there is very often seen a small bill to the outside corner teeth, the point of the tusk is worn off, and the part that was concave begins to fill up and become rounding. The squares of the central teeth begin to disappear, and the gums leave them small and narrow at the top.

Couldn't Be Too Bad.

"Do you think," said the lady who was shopping, "that anybody would steal this umbrella if I were to leave it for a few minutes?"

"Really, madam," replied the clerk, "I shouldn't like to venture an opinion without first examining the umbrella."—Washington Star.

Connubial Mysteries.

"A man who is just married tells his wife everything."

"Yes?"

"And after he gets better acquainted with her he doesn't tell her anything."—Chicago Record.

A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache. Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c. a bottle at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

How to Prevent Pneumonia.

You are perhaps aware that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of la grippe. During the epidemic of la grippe a few years ago when so many cases resulted in pneumonia, it was observed that the attack was never followed by that disease when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was used. It counteracts any tendency of a cold or la grippe to result in that dangerous disease. It is the best remedy in the world for bad colds and la grippe. Every bottle warranted. For sale by R. R. BELLAMY. †

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* The Kind You Have Always Bought

THE PASSING OF THE LOCOMOTIVE

"Ah, well," said the iron horse, heaving a sigh
That was followed anon by a tear,
"They've made me do everything else but fly
Since Stevenson sent me here.

"From killing an hour for every twelve miles
To a hundred and twelve an hour.
The Yankee redoubles his toil and smiles
As he doubles my pace and power.

"When tempests have howled, I have gone to the front,
The force of the blizzard to check.
Of countless collisions I've taken the brunt
And have laid in the ruins a wreck.

"Now, like the 'old woman,' they say I must go
And so make a place for the 'new.'
A mile and a half in a minute's too slow
For the Yankee. I know what I'll do—

"I'll go back to England, for over the sea
My pace will be swift there, I'm told.
Though the old things of England are new to me,
The new things of England are old.

"There a thousand long years are the same as a day
And a day as a thousand years.
There when an old thing has wasted away
Another old thing appears.

"Adieu to the land of the setting sun.
Impetuous Yankee, goodby.
I'll just jog along to the end of my run.
You put on your wings and fly."
—Cy Warman in New York Sun.

Saved by a Hatchet.

Golden Days tells a story of a prospector in Alaska who, in company with eight other men, was walking across a great icefield. At one place a thin sheet of ice hid from view a crack about 3 feet wide. The party approached the crevasse diagonally, the prospector in advance, when suddenly he and the next man in the line slipped through the thin coating of ice and disappeared in the chasm below. Their cries narrowly prevented some of the others from meeting a similar fate.

The second man carried a gun, and as he held on to it the weapon lodged crossways in the crevasse and enabled him to be rescued, but the prospector went down at least 75 feet and was tightly jammed between the walls of ice.

He could not be seen, but his voice could be distinctly heard directing the movements of his rescuers. Blankets were torn into strips and tied into a rope. This was lowered to the imprisoned man, who fastened one end around his body. When the rope was pulled, however, it was found that he was jammed in so tightly that he could not be moved without tearing him asunder.

The rescuers were in a quandary, but the imprisoned man suggested that they lower him a hatchet, and when this was done he chopped himself loose in short order. Altogether he was 30 minutes in the icy tomb, and it was a week before he recovered from the shock.

Transferring Pictures.

Prints or lithographs may be transferred to glass by a very simple process. The glass is cleaned with alcohol and a polisher, then coated with fine dammar varnish, laid on very evenly. It is then put away in a place where there is no dust, where it is to remain until it is so sticky that when touched with the finger the glass, if a small plate, may be lifted by the adhesion. The picture to be transferred must be soaked in rainwater until it is completely saturated, then placed between sheets of blotting paper and gently pressed. This removes all superfluous water. Now put the pictures, face down, upon the sticky side of the glass. The utmost care is necessary in placing it, as once it touches it cannot be moved without danger of tearing out pieces of the print. When it is adjusted, begin at one corner and press the picture closely upon the adhesive surface, watching it continually to see that no air bubbles appear between the picture and the varnished surface. When this is finished, put the picture away again, let it remain until quite dry, then lay a wet towel over the back of the picture until the paper is thoroughly soaked.

Now begin at one corner, and, with the fingers, frequently dipped in water so that they will remain wet, rub off the white paper. Continue this until all the white portion is removed. This will leave only the color of the picture upon the glass. At the finish give the back a rather heavy coat of transparent varnish. Let it dry thoroughly and add a very thin second coat. When this is perfectly dry, frame the picture with a very thin glass over the varnished side. Hang in the window as a transparency. A few attempts may be necessary before expert handling is acquired, but perseverance will bring success, and with care and a little ingenuity very many beautiful pictures may be prepared at the most trifling expense.—New York Ledger.

Early English Bindings.

During the reign of Elizabeth the fashion in binding underwent a considerable change, the graceful simplicity of the early work, with its rather severe and restrained ornament, giving place to a heavy, overdecorated style, in which a superabundance of gilding hid poverty of design. This style reached its height in the bindings produced for James I, which were commonly dotted all over with flowers-de-luce or thistles, while the corners were filled with a heavy block of coarse design. During the reign of Charles the bindings were as a rule copied from French work and the designs carried out with very small tools; but, though foreign influence was strongly felt at first, the English binders soon struck out a line of their own, and Samuel Mearne, the binder to Charles II, produced some admirable work and seems to have introduced the quaintly shaped panel which gave the name of cottage binding to a certain class of work. At a little later date an Edinburgh binder whose name is unknown, but whose work is easily distinguishable, executed some marvelous pieces of work on very dark green morocco.—Athenæum.

A Cold Weather Idyl.

Tenderly, touchingly, he wrapped the damp, warm cloth about the injured member.

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Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	11
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Northern Factory	10½@	11½
Dairy Cream	@	11
State	@	10½
COFFEE—℔ ℔—		
Laguyra	12 @	16
Rio	7½@	10
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Yarns, ℔ bunch	18 @	20
EGGS—℔ dozen	16 @	17
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Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75 @	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5 @	10
" Extra	4 35 @	4 50
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Oats, from store	40 @	45
Oats, Rust Proof	40 @	45
Cow Peas	20 @	75
HIDES—℔ ℔—		
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Dry salt	@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s		
Clover Hay	50 @	75
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HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1¾@	2
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Barbadoes, in hogshead	@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels	@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12 @	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14 @	15
Syrup, in barrels	12 @	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60 @	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	10 50 @	11 00
Rump	10 50 @	11 00
Prime	@	10 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10 @	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@	1 10
Liverpool	75 @	80
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On 125 ℔ Sacks	@	47½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00 @	6 50
Common	1 60 @	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5⅝@	5¾
Standard A	@	5¼
White Extra C	5¼@	5½
Extra C, Golden	@	5
C, Yellow	@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¼@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00 @	14 00
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Inferior to ordinary	@	3 00
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5x24 Heart	4 50 @	5 00
" Sap	4 00 @	4 50
6x24 Heart	6 00 @	6 50
" Sap	5 00 @	5 50
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HE GOT HIS ANSWER.

But It Was Very Different From What He Had Expected.

As the train pulled out of Chicago a quiet, gentlemanly looking man entered the buffet car, and, ensconcing himself in a comfortable chair, drew out a long cigar and entered deeply into his paper. He remained so quiet and retained his seat so long that another passenger, whose bearing distinctly stamped him as a commercial traveling man, one of the kind full of chatter and curiosity, could no longer restrain himself. Addressing the quiet gentleman, he inquired, "Traveling east?"

Slowly removing his cigar, the gentleman turned and looked at his questioner with slightly elevated eyebrows, replying, "Yes."

"New York?"

"Yes."

"Pleasure?"

"Yes and no."

"Great place, New York. Ever been there before?"

"No."

"I'm going home this trip—New York, you know."

The gentleman made no reply, but resumed his paper. After a little silence the commercial man began again.

"I'm with C. & Co., on Broadway. If you drop in, I'll show you over the city."

"Thank you, it will not be necessary!"

"Excuse me, but might I ask what you're going to New York for?"

By this time most of the other passengers were interested. The gentleman, who was extremely annoyed at the drummer's curiosity, laid down his paper and exclaimed:

"I'm going to New York, first, because the train is taking me there; second, because I've got lots of money and can afford it, and, last, because if I like the place I intend to buy it."

The commercial man subsided amid a roar of laughter.—Philadelphia Times.

There are still many immense cattle ranches in Texas, although in some parts of the state they have been contracted by increased settlement. The largest is one of 3,100,000 acres, the property of the Capital Freehold Land and Investment company.

The poet occasionally reaches the summit of art, hits upon a complete character, a burst of sublime passion, then he falls back, gropes amid qualified success, rough sketches, feeble imitations and at last takes refuge in the tricks of his trade.—Taine.

A few years ago Greece was only visited by archæologists and students. General travel in this direction has but recently set in. Last year about 1,500 Americans visited Athens, and 42 citizens of the United States resided there for the winter.

There are now about 7,500 south sea islanders, called Kanakas, engaged in labor in the sugar industry in Queensland. They are, as a whole, an excellent class of laborers.

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"HAUNTED" HOUSES.

The Foolish Superstition That Dooms Them to Remain Tenantless.

Probably the majority of people have been momentarily struck from time to time by the sight of dwelling houses of a sad, deserted appearance, curiously suggestive of rats and romance, which occur at intervals in the streets of London and most other big human hives. There they stand year after year. No one occupies them; no one seems to make inquiries about them or to regard them as habitable; generally they crumble through sheer damp and disuse or are eventually razed by the legalized "housebreaker." Of course many houses answering to this description stand empty for years pending decisions in the court of chancery or because the sanitary authorities have seen fit to condemn them, but it is a fact that hundreds of such houses remain vacant simply because of some queer local aversion or superstition which has gradually surrounded them with a fatal atmosphere of ill luck. Call a house "haunted," and with many people the ghost is taken for granted.

Occasionally the reasons why certain dwelling houses should have been marked out and shunned in this way are humorous to a degree, not to say ridiculous. The writer knows of one substantial pile, standing in a northwest suburb, which has been practically doomed to perpetual emptiness solely through a local report that a dastardly crime had been done in one of the rooms. Not an atom of base for this rumor was to be had, but in a short space of time the belief obtained such credence that it was no uncommon thing for one or more morbid sightseers to be found staring up at the blank windows and speculating as to the nature of the deed.

Finally the street urchins took every opportunity to riddle it with stones, while every possible tenant was solemnly warned against occupying the premises. The despairing owner reduced the rent from time to time, but a bad construction was placed upon this action, and the building is now an uninhabitable shell.

Another house, in the very next street, had stood tenantless for a long time for a somewhat similar reason. It appeared that the last occupants had mysteriously disappeared, owing money in all directions. This was no unprecedented occurrence in itself, but it so happened that a local busybody discovered in one of the upper rooms a red stain, which was duplicated in the passage below, and immediately there were whisperings as to foul play. An investigation disproved this theory, but the rumor had gone forth, and that house was doomed. The fact that the stains in question were found to be nothing more than blotches of red paint made no difference. They were red. Instantly the local mind settled that they must be lifeblood.

Even those people who pride themselves upon being above the influence of such idle gossip very naturally do not relish occupying a house that is pointed at and "talked about," while they can obtain one with no such notoriety attached. As a landlord bitterly remarked to the writer recently: "Let a house be singled out for local suspicion and whispers, it is almost certain to be doomed to future emptiness. No one cares to put the matter to the test."—Household Words.

Lost His Horse, Drives a Cow.

In Springfield, O., there lives a venerable citizen who is known as Father Danforth, the crusader. Recently he has taken to driving a cow in harness.

Father Danforth is quite a character, and he is always given a hearty welcome wherever he goes. His horse died some time ago, and he thought he would try hitching up a cow. The animal took to the harness good naturedly, and after a few lessons became manageable with the bridle. It can now be driven anywhere as easily as a horse. Danforth then tried an older cow in harness and met with success, and afterward he alternated. He milks both cows and sells the milk, establishing what is known as the White Saloon.

Danforth also conceived the idea that leaves could be utilized as food for cows, and he has been feeding them right along. He has recently established a business where leaves are handled and baled for sale.—Cincinnati Post.

Worth Seeing.

"Every year," said the professor, "a sheet of water 14 feet thick is raised to the clouds from the sea.

"What time of the year does that happen, professor?" asked the freshman from the interior. "I should think it would be a sight worth going to see."—Indianapolis Journal.

Specified.

"He has quite a line of ancestors, but they were all tailors."

"I see. A clothesline."—Detroit Free Press.

The Gillie's Excuse.

It is well known that the queen has a dislike to the smell of tobacco, and even such a constant smoker as the Prince of Wales is careful to deodorize himself as much as possible before being received by his royal mother. Perhaps the late John Brown took her majesty's aversion more coolly than any one else, for his sporran was always crammed with a mixture peculiarly black and strong.

On one occasion the late Duke of Sutherland sent some live deer to Windsor under the charge of his head keeper, who, having seen his charges safely housed, foregathered with Brown, and smoke and whisky speedily combined in no small quantities. While the carouse was progressing John was hastily summoned to the queen's presence, and away he went without changing his clothes. His sovereign lady soon detected the peccant odor and reproached Brown with it.

"Hech! Your majesty," said Brown, "it's nae my fault. It's joost 'contact' with the duke's keeper." He was forgiven on the spot.—London Telegraph.

Deserved Credit.

"I may lead a wild life," said Jiggers, "but I'll tell you one thing—I take care about the people my boys associate with."

"I know you do," said Hawkins. "I've observed that you spend very little time with 'em yourself, old man, and I honor you for it."—Harper's Bazar.

AURORA ON THE YUKON.

The Play of Northern Lights on Snow Banks and Frozen Rivers.

During the winter months the aurora on the Yukon is very brilliant and intensely beautiful. It commences early in the fall and lasts, with more or less brilliancy, throughout the long arctic winter. It generally commences upon the setting of the sun, although in midwinter it has sometimes been so bright that it was visible at noon, while the sun was shining brightly. The rays of the light first shoot forth with a quick, quivering motion and are then gathered and form a great arch of fire, spanning the heavens. It glows for an instant like a girdle of burnished gold; then, unfolding, great curtains of light drop forth.

These royal mantles of bright orange, green, pink, rose, yellow and crimson are suspended and waved between heaven and earth as with an invisible hand. The rapid gyrations and scintillations of light and blending colors are intensely and superbly bewildering.

The whole phenomena of waving wreaths, flickering flames, rays, curtains, fringes, bands and flashing colors, the strange confusion of light and motion, now high in the heavens, then dropping like curtains of gold and silver lace, sparkling with a wealth of rubies, sapphires, emeralds and diamonds, penetrating dark gulches and darting through somber green forests, lighting the whole landscape as with a thousand electric lamps, form a picture of which words can convey but a very poor idea. This unwarming light, as it flashes along the frozen rivers, the great banks of snow and reveals the huge mountains of glistening ice and black lines of fir, indeed is of the purest arctic cast and causes one to button his coat closer over his chest, and, with a shiver, he is glad to seek a light of less brilliancy, but one of life giving warmth.

At the breaking up of the winter the hours of sunshine are rapidly increasing and continue so until midsummer, when the sun beams forth 22 hours out of the 24, while on the high mountain peaks it is for a period of several days in June not entirely out of sight during the 24 hours. During the months of July and August the weather becomes very warm and even hot, and miners are glad to seek a shady retreat in which to do their labor. After this period the hours of sunshine gradually decrease until, during the shortest days, the sun shines but four hours out of the 24. But at this period the aurora is very intense and helps very materially in driving darkness from that dreary land. The thermometer goes down to 70 degrees below zero in winter, but the atmosphere is very dry, and consequently the cold is not so perceptible as one would imagine.—Alaskan News.

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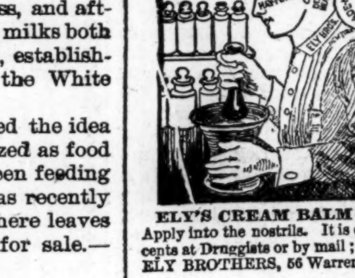
The most interesting place of amusement for men is the National Sporting club. Every Monday night during the winter the sports of London meet there in the same building that Colonel Newcome and his son once left because they objected to Captain Costigan's song. The colonel would be more amused there now, for well trained and scientific boxers from all the world meet in a roped in square, surrounded by an orderly crowd of stockbrokers, bankers and miscellaneous sporting characters, who wait for the best man to win. Then they adjourn to a front room, and around the bar and little tables they talk about bygone fights and the men and horses whose pictures cover the wall. Some find their way to the Strand, where, in a supper room called Marble Halls, every variety of sport in all stages of luck and actors from the neighboring theaters discuss the fight of the evening round by round.—From "London as Seen by C. B. Gibson" in Scribner's.



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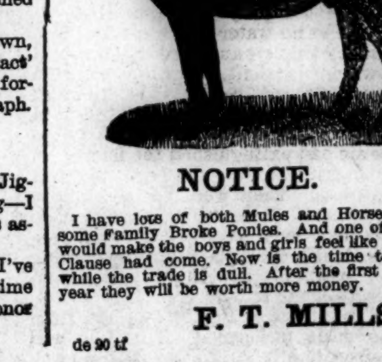

NOTICE.

I have lots of both Mules and Horses, and some Family Broke Ponies. And one of them would make the boys and girls feel like Santa Clause had come. Now is the time to buy while the trade is dull. After the first of the year they will be worth more money.

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PRICES TALK FOR THEMSELVES.

READ THE PRICE LIST CAREFULLY:

Dragon Spool Cotton (colors), 1c per spool.
Ball Sewing Thread, two balls for a cent
Dress Buttons 3c per dozen.
Whalebone Buttons 3c bunch.
Carpet Thread 3c skein.
Hooks and Eyes (safety) 1c card.
Tape Lines 3c each.
Line Tuckcombs (job) 10c each.
Scrub Brushes, worth 10c for 5c each.
Lead Pencils 3c per dozen.
Needles 1c a paper.
Hairpins 1c per package.
Fine Writing Paper 3c per quire.
Stove Polish 3c per stick.
Ladies' Corsets, New Era (long waist) 25c.
Good Box Paper, 24 sheets and envelopes, 5c
Box Soap (3 cakes) 5c.
Wash Cloth and Cake Soap 5c.
Pretty Calico 2½c per yard.
Sheeting 2½c per yard.
Sea Island Sheeting 4c per yard.
Yard wide Percale, good colors, 5c per yard.
Ladies' Hose (seconds) black, 3c per pair.
Children's Hose, all sizes, 5c.
Extra Seamless, heavy weight, good quality, 10c.
Cloth-bound books 17c
Handsomely bound "History of the Confederate States," by Jeff. Davis, $1.50.
Fine Morocco covered Bible 98c.
Linen Table Cloths (fringed) 50c.
Table Linen, all kinds from 18c to $1.
Good Linen (bleached) 34 inches wide, 25c yard.
Doylies at 25c dozen to $1.50.
Towels from 8 to 25c.
Extra large Turkish Bath Towels, 10c each.
Silkolene and other Drapery from 8 to 12½c.
DRESS GOODS—We have a large stock of Dress Goods.
Double width Worsted worth 20c, at 12½c.
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Special sale this week of Ladies' and Gent's Kid Gloves.

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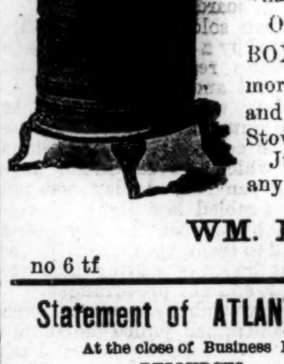

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Statement of ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK, Wilmington, N. C.

At the close of Business Dec. 1st, 1898. Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.			LIABILITIES.		
Loans		$659,233 50	Capital		$125,000 00
Overdrafts secured by collateral		10,480 58	Surplus		70,000 00
Overdrafts unsecured		377 38	Undivided profits		19,564 01
U. S. Bonds (at par)		95,600 00	Circulation		40,950 00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000 00	Deposits, U. S. Treasurer	$ 50,000 00	
Due from app'd reserve agts	$156,143 52		" from banks	190,207 20	
Due from other Banks	$165,220 57		" Individuals	666,562 36	906,769 56
Cash on hand	65,178 27	386,542 16			
Total		$1,162,283 57	Total		$1,162,283 57

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:

	Dec. 1, '97.	Dec. 1, '98.
Total Deposits	$678,000	$906,700
Surplus and Net Profits	76,100	89,500

Dividends paid—6 per cent. per annum.

Last Instalment of Capital paid in October, 1892.

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Results if you Deposit Something Each Week.

$ 1	a week for 5 years you will have	$ 286
$ 2	" " " " "	$ 572
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$10	" " " " "	$2860
$15	" " " " "	$4290
$ 1	" for 10 years " "	$ 637
$ 2	" " " " "	$1274
$ 3	" " " " "	$1911
$ 4	" " " " "	$2548
$ 5	" " " " "	$3185
$10	" " " " "	$6370
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TO ALL POINTS

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Schedule In Effect May 29, 1898.

Train 41—Leaves Wilmington 3:20 P. M., leaves Lumberton 5:15 P. M., Pembroke 5:35 P. M., Maxton 6:12 P. M., Laurinburg 6:23 P. M., Hamlet 6:53 P. M., Wadesboro 8:11 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M. Connects at Monroe with train 41 for Atlanta, and at Hamlet with train 402 for Portsmouth, Richmond, Washington and points North.

Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 A. M., leaves Weldon 11:50 A. M., Raleigh 3:40 P. M., Sanford 5:05 P. M., Hamlet 6:56 P. M., Athens 3:43 A. M., and Atlanta 5:20 A. M.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 4:40 P. M., Richmond 8:56 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., leaves Weldon 11:28 P. M., Raleigh 2:16 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Rockingham 5:23 A. M., Wadesboro 5:53 A. M., Monroe 6:43 A. M., Charlotte 7:50 A. M., Lincolnton 10:35 A. M., Shelby 11:37 A. M., Rutherfordton 12:50 noon, Athens 1:13 P. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 7:50 P. M., Athens 11:19 P. M., Monroe 6:05 A. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:10 A. M., Monroe 5:55 A. M., Wadesboro 7:01 A. M., Hamlet 8:00 A. M., Raleigh 11:25 A. M., Weldon 2:45 P. M.; arrive Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 M. Leaves Athens 3:13 P. M., Monroe 9:40 P. M. Leaves Rutherfordton 4:35 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:55 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:28 P. M., Monroe 9:40 P. M., Wadesboro 10:31 P. M., Rockingham 11:15 P. M., Hamlet 11:15 P. M., Sanford 1:02 A. M., Raleigh 2:16 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:20 A. M., Washington 12:31 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

Train 17—Leaves Hamlet 8:40 A. M. Arrives Cheraw 10:00 A. M. Returning, leaves Cheraw 5:00 P. M. Arrives Hamlet 6:20 P. M.

All trains daily except Nos. 17 and 18.

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Condensed Schedule.

In Effect November 20th, 1898.

NORTH BOUND.	No. 2 DAILY.
Leave Wilmington	8 50 A. M.
Arrive Fayetteville	12 00 M.
Leave Fayetteville	12 20 P. M.
Leave Fayetteville Junction	12 28 "
Leave Sanford	1 50 "
Leave Climax	3 44 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 15 "
Leave Greensboro	4 25 "
Leave Stokesdale	5 12 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 44 "
Leave Rural Hall	6 13 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	7 25 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1 DAILY.
Leave Mt. Airy	8 45 A. M.
Leave Rural Hall	10 09 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10 36 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Greensboro	11 55 "
Leave Greensboro	12 13 P. M.
Leave Climax	12 42 "
Leave Sanford	2 30 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 49 "
Arrive Fayetteville	3 52 "
Leave Fayetteville	4 02 "
Arrive Wilmington	7 05 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 4 DAILY.
Leave Bennettsville	8 00 A. M.
Arrive Maxton	9 03 "
Leave Maxton	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs	9 35 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 40 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3. DAILY.
Leave Fayetteville	4 33 P. M.
Leave Hope Mills	4 52 "
Leave Red Springs	5 35 "
Arrive Maxton	6 09 "
Leave Maxton	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 15 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Ramseur	6 40 A. M.
Leave Climax	8 30 "
Arrive Greensboro	9 17 "
Leave Greensboro	9 35 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOMND.	No. 15. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Madison	12 30 P. M.
Leave Stokesdale	1 15 "
Arrive Greensboro	2 30 "
Leave Greensboro	3 00 "
Leave Climax	3 50 "
Arrive Ramseur	5 30 "

CONNECTIONS

At Fayetteville with the Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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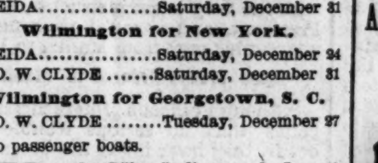

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GEO. W. CLYDE...... Saturday, December 24
ONEIDA.............Saturday, December 31

Wilmington for New York.

ONEIDA..............Saturday, December 24
GEO. W. CLYDE.......Saturday, December 31

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Nov. 20, 1898.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11.34 A. M., Goldsboro 12.30 A. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.58 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.5 A. M., New York 6.52 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.15 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.49 P. M., Warsaw 9.03 P. M., Goldsboro 10.00 P. M., Wilson 10.48 P. M., †Tarboro 6.45 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.35 P. M. Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10.05 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.22 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M., Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.08 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.35 P. M., Goldsboro 3.16 P. M., Warsaw 4.07 P. M., Magnolia 4.20 P. M.

DAILY 9.30 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.22 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.53 A. M., Magnolia 8.05 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M., Columbia 6.50 A. M., Sumter 8.15 A. M., Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A. M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. M., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.22 A. M., 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 3.00 P. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.12 A. M., arrive Latta 10.32 A. M., Dillon 10.44 A. M., Rowland 11.01 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 10.25 A. M., Chadbourn 1.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 11.00 P. M.; leave Conway 2.45 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M.; arrive Hub 6.10 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M., 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 2.25 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Hartsville — P. M., Bennettsville 9.15 P. M., Gibson 9.45 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.45 A. M. Bennettsville 7.10 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.02 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 4.45 P. M., Hartsville 2.15 P. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 11.15 P. M., arrive Selma 2.50 P. M., 12.01 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1.10 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 11.01 A. M., Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., 9.40 P. M., Dunn 12.25 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 1.55 P. M., arrive Wilson 1.06 P. M., 11.59 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4.29 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 9.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.13 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnal's 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.25 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.30 P. M., arrive 4.10 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

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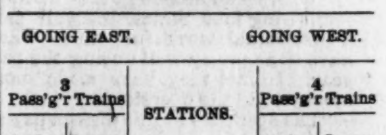

To Take Effect Sunday, Nov. 28, 1897, at 12 M.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.

3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	3 Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	4 Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	....
....	4 32	Kinston	10 12	....
5 35	5 45	Newbern	8 57	9 10
6 57	7 03	Morehead City.	7 42	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

☞Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3 00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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Order to Transmit Customs Received at Santiago to Havana Robs Many of Employment.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SANTIAGO, January 2.—An order has been received from Havana, which, if enforced, will mean, in the judgment of the commercial classes here serious injury to the province. This is a direction to transmit the entire customs receipts each week to Havana. Compliance with such instructions would involve the abandonment of many necessary public improvements, especially in the matter of roads and water works. Since the American occupation began these funds have been used for such purposes and have been the principal means of meeting the necessary expenditures. The *Heraldo* says that to carry this order out would rob ten thousand Cubans of employment and most of them would probably take to the hills and become bandits, having no other recourse. Robert T. Mason, British consul at Santiago, says it was Spain's practice of monetary centralization which caused most of her troubles in Cuba. General Wood, United States military governor of the department, on being asked to express an opinion respecting the order, declined to be interviewed; but it is reported that without offering any criticism of the policy which dictates the order, he has shown his annoyance at the possibility of a stop being put to the good work done in the province. The local taxation fund is barely sufficient to meet the expenses of the city. There is nothing over for important improvements, and the customs receipts are considered by competent judges to be absolutely necessary for the successful management of the province. Popular excitement over the order is growing among all classes. The Chamber of Commerce, the Sons of Veterans, the Supreme Court and the San Carlos Club have called meetings to take action; and each organization will cable to Washington an earnest protest against what is described as the "suicidal" policy of centralizing money at Havana."

WHITE HOUSE RECEPTION.

Great Throng of New Year Callers on President and Mrs. McKinley. Weather Propitious.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The President and Mrs. McKinley received the season's greetings to-day from a great throng of callers, representing every branch of public life, who attended the White House reception.

It was the first time since the present administration began that there was observance of this custom, and this as well as the happy and propitious circumstances under which the year begins, added to the interest and enjoyment surrounding the event. It was an ideal mid winter day, the air crisp and bracing, and the ground covered with snow. The Executive Mansion was elaborately decorated for the event, a wealth of cut flowers, palms, potted plants and ferns transforming the apartments into bowers of shrubbery and bloom. In the regular line with the President and Mrs. McKinley were the members of the cabinet and ladies, while back of the line stood many ladies from the army, navy, Congressional and judicial circles. Among the most notable figures in the line of callers were the foreign ambassadors and ministers, in their rich diplomatic uniforms. Officers of the army and navy were also uniformed, giving brilliancy and dash to the occasion. The army group, which attracted most attention, was one made up Major Generals Miles, Shafter and Lawton, and Brigadier General Corbin, who after greeting the Presidential party were invited to join the receiving party. The reception lasted something over two hours and was in every way a happy ushering in of the new year.

PITTSBURG COAL MINERS.

General Strike Looked for April 1st Unless Satisfactory Agreement is Made With the Operators.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PITTSBURG, January 2.—A general strike in the bituminous coal region is looked for on April 1st, at the close of the term of the interstate agreement by the miners and operators. This strike can be averted only by the miners and operators having amicable agreement at the convention to be held in this city next week. A reported interview with operator Thomas Young, manager of the Hanna coal interests, is as follows: "It is the intention of the operators to reduce the mining scale of wages. The operators cannot afford to maintain the present rate. The miners want a higher rate and the operators claim a reduction must be made. You can readily see the miners and operators are far apart. There seems to be little chance of getting together. The operators do not see how they can maintain the present scale. Coal is now being sold below cost. The miners in this district, comprising four States, are well paid if they could work full time. They have done pretty well during the past year. In fact they have made more money than the operators.

"The operators in this district pay so much more for mining than the operators in the West Virginia district that they are not able to compete with them. We lose business right along for the reason that we cannot meet competition. One reason for the strike will be an advance in the price of coal. I do not anticipate a coal famine, for the reason that coal can be obtained from twenty different fields. The inevitable result of the strike will be that the operators will win. The operators do not look for trouble before April 1.

A dispatch from Rome says a mob of 4,000 people has destroyed the internal revenue sentry boxes and stoned the gendarmes around Nisimi, Sicily, as a protest against executive taxation. A number of persons were wounded.

IN OLDEN TIMES

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ON THE VERGE OF A BATTLE.

Gen. Miller Preparing to Land Forces and Move on City of Iloilo.

INSURGENTS WILL RESIST.

Over 17,000 Armed Natives—About 2,500 Americans—Foreigners Are Greatly Alarmed — Additional Troops Ordered to Manila.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, January 1.—The following dispatch, dated Friday afternoon, December 30, at Iloilo, Island of Panay, has just been received here by boat, telegraphic communication with Iloilo not having been resumed:

"The situation at Iloilo is grave. Fifteen hundred natives, fully armed, are at Melo, a suburb of Iloilo. Seventeen thousand more, it is reported, are awaiting orders to embark at several points on the Island of Negros, fifteen hours' sail from Iliolo.

"All the women have withdrawn and many families have taken refuge with the Americans. The rebels, after a consultation, insist upon inaction until Aguinaldo shall have been heard from. Gen. Miller, when this demand was first made, declined to concede them time, and insisted upon an answer being given him by noon to-day. At the same time he gave assurances that lives and property would be protected.

"The foreign residents then petitioned Gen. Miller to grant the extension desired by the rebels, as a flight would cause inevitable loss. This also Gen. Miller refused.

Gen. Miller Refused Delay.

"At the designated time a native commission again boarded the United States transport Newport and asked for delay, saying that they were unable to control the army, which commanded the city and surrounding country. Gen. Miller refused and prepared to land forces, sending an emissary back to Manila for instructions.

"The rebels are strengthening their position and are preparing to resist. The streets of Iloilo are full of armed soldiers, who are constantly entering in every direction. There is great excitement, which is increased by the appearance of the gunboat El Cano, flying the Spanish flag. The public buildings, churches, and boats along the river are filled with rebels.

"The Newport's boats, as the dispatch-boat which carries this message is about leaving, are being lowered with four machine guns mounted in their bows. The lighters are alongside the United States transport Arizona. The United States transport Pennsylvania lies three miles to the south, with steam up."

Advices from Gen. Otis.

The War Department yesterday received a dispatch from Gen. Otis, commanding the United States forces in the Philippines. It was not important nor definite as to results, but asked for instructions on some questions in connection with the treatment of the natives. It is supposed, also, that the dispatch contained a full statement of the events at Iloilo reported in press dispatches, but its text was not made public.

The American force at Iloilo numbers about 2,500 men, as against an estimated force of at least 10,000 insurgents in the immediate vicinity.

The troops under General Miller consist of the Eighteenth Infantry, an Iowa battalion, the Sixth Artillery and a detachment of the signal corps. The men left on the transports Arizona, Newport and Pennsylvania. These steamers were convoyed by the cruiser Baltimore and by the gunboat Callao.

No Further News From Manila.

WASHINGTON, January 2.—Nothing more has been heard at the War Department from Gen. Otis at Manila, since yesterday. The situation is irritating, in the fact that according to the experience of the last few days it is not to be expected that anything more can be heard from Iloilo for a day or two at least, except in the very improbable event that the American force has been repulsed in their efforts to make a landing and has been obliged to return straight to Manila. It is surmised that Gen. Miller is proceeding with more tact and with less roughness in his dealings with the insurgents than appeared from a first inspection of the reports. His purpose, apparently, was to avoid such a formal recognition of the insurgents as might tend to embarrass the United States hereafter, but at the same time not to deal harshly with them if they can be brought to see the rectitude of his intentions. Therefore the officials are of the opinion that there will be no actual hostilities between the forces arrayed against Gen. Otis and his men, but that at the worst the former will retire from the city without accepting or rejecting the American overtures until they have heard from Aguinaldo. Gen. Otis has taken steps to acquaint Gen. Miller with the very latest instructions of the President, and a special messenger is now on his way from Manila to Iloilo.

More Troops Ordered to Manila.

Although officials profess this strong belief that no serious trouble will occur, they have taken the precaution to expedite the dispatch of military reinforcements to Gen. Otis' command in the Philippines. Orders have been issued for the Twentieth infantry, at Fort Leavenworth, to time its departure so as to be in San Francisco by the 7th instant and embark in the military transport being fitted out to sail for Manila on that date if possible. The two other infantry regiments which are under orders to proceed to the Philippines by the Pacific route—the Third and Twenty-second—will follow as soon as means of transportation can be secured. Three other regiments are also under orders to proceed to Manila by way of the Mediterranean and Suez canal. These are the Fourth, Twelfth and Seventeenth infantry regiments. They will make the trip on the new transports Mobile and Mohawk and unless present plans miscarry, they will embark at New York on the seventeenth instant.

Major Gen. Lawton, the hero of El Caney, who has been ordered to take command of the military forces in the Philippines under the direction of Maj. Gen. Otis, military governor of the archipelego, will accompany the expedition from New York.

Wayne McVeagh, Attorney General in President Garfield's cabinet and Ambassador to Italy under the last Cleveland administration, is lying very ill at his residence in Washington.

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THE FIGHT AGAINST QUAY.

His Opponents at Harrisburg Trying to Postpone the Republican Caucus Until After Supreme Court Meets.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HARRISBURG, PA., January 2.—Senator Quay has taken personal direction of the campaign for his re-election to the United States Senate. He reached Harrisburg last night from Washington with his colleague, Senator Penrose, and will stay until after the Senatorial caucus. Ex Senator Cameron came to Harrisburg to day from his residence below the city and was a visitor to th Quay quarters. The former Senator came all the way from England to take a hand in the contest for his old friend and colleague.

Ex Postmaster General John Wanamaker is on the ground, working against Senator Quay. With the assistance of ex-judge James G. Gorden, of Philadelphia, the Business Men's League opened headquarter this morning and members are here from all over the State to help fight Quay.

Chairman Garman, of the State Democratic Committee, is not saying or doing much either way. The anti-Quay leaders concede the failure of the fusion scheme and are directing their energies toward keeping enough Republicans out of the senatorial caucus to prevent a nomination.

The anti-Quay leaders announced this morning that by evening they would have the written pledge of thirty one Republicans to stay out of the caucus until after the Supreme Court has disposed of the criminal charges against Senator Quay. The case will be argued next Saturday and the anti Quayites are fighting for the posponement of the caucus until after the court renders its decisio and it is probable there may be a postponement.

The caucus of the Republican members-elect of the House of Representatives was an extremely harmonious affair.

A conference of the Republican members of the Senate was also held to-night and William P. Snyder, of Chester, was unanimously nominated for president, pro tem.

A caucus of the Democratic members of the House of Representatives was held this evening in the Supreme Court chamber and Wm. Creasy, of Columbia, was the unanimous choice of the caucus for speaker.

A resolution was adopted that a committee representing the independent Republicans—should they appoint such a committee—to arrange for fusion on the organization of the House.

A conference of the Democratic members was held this afternoon, at which a committee, consisting of Messrs. Dixon, Foster and Creasy were appointed to wait on the independent Republicans and notify them that the seventy-four Democratic members were ready to unite with them on the fusion movement. The independents said they could not, at this late day, muster enough votes to make fusion a success, and admitted that they believed the Democrats were sincere in their efforts for fusion.

The Democratic Senators also held their caucus to-night, and Harvey W. Haines, of York, was nominated for president pro tem.

SEEKING INFORMATION.

As to Location of Graves of Confederates Who Died in Northern Prisons.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, January 2.—Gen. C. A. Evans, of this city, who was chairman of the commission appointed by the Governor in response to a resolution adopted by the last Legislature requiring the members to secure information as to the location of the graves of the Confederate soldiers who died in Northern military prisons, has sent a copy of their report to Gen. Marcus J. Wright, the agent of the War Department.

This report is by no means complete and it is lacking in essential details because the work of the commission was hampered by the lack of a suitable appropriation of funds to meet necessary expenses, but it shows that nearly 22,000 Confederate dead are buried in Northern States.

OPPOSED TO EXPANSION.

Protests Pouring Into the Anti-Imperialist League from All Quarters.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, January 2.—At a meeting of the Anti Imperialist League to-day it was reported that the direct protests against any extension of the sovereignty of the United States over the Philippine islands are coming in through the leagues in increasing numbers from all parts of the Union. Mr. Erving Winslow, secretary of the League, will visit Washington this week to interview several Senators who have expressed a desire for a conference.

WARM WIRELETS.

Serious strike riots have taken place in Hungary. The mob overpowered and disarmed police, who narrowly escaped with their lives.

The latest advices from La Paz, capital of Bolivia, say that a combat is imminent between the revolutionists and the government troops.

Prof. Von Bruns, of the Tungin University, denounces the English explosive bullet used in the battle of Omdurman as hardly less cruel than the Dumdum bullet.

A fearful gale is sweeping the channel and the seas are terrific. The Holyhead harbor is full of shipping and some of vessels have dragged their anchors and gone ashore. There are numerous wrecks along the coast.

Col. Kitchener, the British commander at Khartoum, has started with reinforcements to take command of the expedition organizing at Dulim to operate against the Khalifa, who has been raiding Arab settlements in that vicinity.

Rev. James Bowen Funsten, rector of Trinity church, Portsmouth, Va., who was elected Bishop of Boise by the Triennial Council at Washington City two months ago, has declined the honor and will remain with his present parishoners.

Theodore Roosevelt was inaugurated as Governor of New York yesterday in spite of extreme cold weather the ceremony was witnessed by a great crowd of people assembled in the hall of the capitol. Preceding the inauguration there was a parade of civic and military bodies.

The slight improvement in the condition of Representative Dingley, of Maine, noted yesterday morning continued during the day, and last night his family were hopeful that the change for the better was permanent. His condition, however, seems critical.

It is officially announced at the Baltimore & Ohio railroad headquarters that F. D. Underwood, general manager of the Minneapolis, St. Paul & St. Marie R. R. Co., has accepted the position of general manager for the Baltimore & Ohio.

SPANISH TROOPS EVACUATE HAVANA

The Sovereignty of Cuba Passed From Spain to the U. S. Government.

NO DISORDER IN THE CITY.

Raising of the Stars and Stripes Greeted With Cheers by the Populace—People in Joyful Mood—Americans Conducting All Business.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, January 1.—The sovereignty of Cuba passed from Spain to the United States at noon to-day, when the Spaniards evacuated Havana.

The form of the transfer was simple, consisting only of an exchange of speeches in the saloon of the palace here, the hauling down of the Spanish flag and the rising in its stead of the United States flag on the palace and other public places. Salutes were fired from the heavy guns of the forts and warships.

The raising of the stars and stripes was greeted with cheers by people who covered the roofs of the buildings around the palace and the plaza. No crowd was permitted to gather in the streets in the vicinity of the palace.

The People Are Joyful.

HAVANA, January 2.—The people of Havana are in a joyful mood to day, in spite of the disappointment experienced over the fact that the projected festivities have been postponed. The resentment subsided and gave place to composure.

The city was tranquil last night. Major General Brooke's impressions of Cuba are pleasing. He regards the people as being emotional, mild and orderly. Americans are now conducting the customs, postoffice and telegraphs, in fact all public business, with Spanish and Cuban employes.

Col. Bliss, the American collector of customs, has been instructed by the authorities at Washington not to appoint Americans to subordinate places in this or other customs houses. Cubans are to be appointed.

After the General takes up his headquarters in this place, Mrs. Brooke will arrange a series of social functions. The headquarters for the present will be at the General's hotel.

Generals Brooke and Ludlow see many of the prominent Cubans. They are easily accessible and wish to make a wide and personal acquaintance. As the police is slowly formed the troops will be sent into the country.

Artillery Landed.

The batteries of the Second artillery have been landed from the United States transport Chester. One battery was sent to Morro Castle, another is garrisoned at Cabanas fortress, a third is stationed near the palace and the other three batteries are camped at Vedado.

The United States transport Saratoga arrived here to-day from Charleston, S. C., with the Third Nebraska regiment on board.

Two Cuban soldiers carrying rifles were stopped by a patrol of the Tenth United States regular infantry on Galiano street and were required to give up their weapons. They did so after an argument. It developed to-day that the company of the Indiana regiment which waved Cuban flags during the parade yesterday was not arrested, as cabled last night. Investigation showed that the flags were distributed to them by Cubans in the crowd and the act of waving them was thoughtless and not pre-arranged.

Twenty-five Cuban horsemen, well mounted and armed, joined the column of the parade, rode to Central Park and debouched into a side street. They aroused considerable enthusiasm. The blue jackets of the Texas, at about half-past twelve yesterday, rowed to the wreck of the Maine and hoisted the stars and stripes to the peak of the wreck. The flag was saluted by the shipping in the harbor. An immense American flag was also hoisted on top of the two-hundred foot shears at the naval dock, where it could be seen for miles around.

SPAIN'S NEWS FROM MANILA.

Gen. Rios Evacuated the Visayas Islands, Blowing Up Forts and Fleet of Gunboats.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MADRID, January 2.—Gen. Rios, the Spanish commander, cables that he has arrived at Manila on board the Leo XIII, after having completely evacuated the Visayas and the northern part of the island of Mindonoa, and after blowing up fourteen forts and the fleet of gunboats on lake Lanou. He adds that one-hundred Spanish troops are concentrated at Zamboaga, under the command of Gen. Montero. The Spanish general also says that before quiting the trenches he warned the insurgents in the vicinity of Iloilo that if they fired a single shot he would raze the town.

The Spanish transport Monserrat sails for Spain on January 14 and the Leo XIII. with Gen. Rios on board fails for Spain on January 12.

Official circles here are warmly discussing the attitude of Great Britain, owing to her pressing demands that Spain sell her a coaling station in the Balearic islands and other stragetical points, so as to render Gibraltar unassailable. The negotiations on the subject have been in abeyance, owing to Premier Sagasta's illness, but it is believed that Spain, influenced by France and Russia, will resist the demands of Great Britain.

FRANCE AND ENGLAND.

Queen Victoria's Leave-Taking of Ex-Empress Eugenie.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—The *Journal* has from a personage belonging to the suite of ex-Empress Eugenie, a statement upon the eve of her departure from England in the early days of the Fashoda incident. The ex-Empress took leave of her majesty, Queen Victoria, and when Eugenie was about to leave the Queen said: "If war should break out between France and England, I will ask God to allow me to die before it occurs." Three days later the Secretary of the Empress is said to have communicated the words of the Queen to the French foreign office.

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STATE PENITENTIARY

Appointments Made by Capt. W. H. Day, the New Superintendent.

MEMBERS OF LEGISLATURE.

About Half the Number Have Arrived. Judge Connor in Lead for Speakership—A Combination From the West to Beat Him.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 2.

Capt. W. H. Day, the new superintendent of the penitentiary, took the oath of office this morning and assumed management of the institution. He filed his official bond for $5,000 Saturday.

Mr. Day announces the following appointments: F. B. Arendell, manager of the central prison; J. R. Tillery, manager of the State farms on the Cape Fear; J. L. Rhem, supervisor of the Northampton and Halifax farms; J. H. McIver, supervisor of the Caledonia farms.

These three supervisors take the place of the seven supervisors now employed, thereby saving in salaries about $10,000 a year. Similar consolidation of offices, Capt. Day says, will be made all along down the line, both on the farms and within the penitentiary walls. It is understood that only one of the present supervisors (McCaskey) will resist removal.

The board of directors also, Captain Day is informed, will resign in a body. He has called a meeting here for Thursday, but he understands none of them will attend. Some of them have already resigned. In their places Gov. Russell will appoint such men as Capt. Day considers in sympathy with his plans and policy. Among this number will be Mr. Isaac Green, of Weldon, who is here to-day.

A complete inventory of all the institution's property will be taken and as soon as it is complete Capt. Day will, he says, ask the Legislature to appoint a committee to investigate its affairs. For this work Capt. Day has appointed Mr. Geo. D. Bennett, of Goldsboro, and he asks Mr. Mewborne to appoint some one to represent him. When this is done, both sides being represented, there can be no charge of unfairness of valuation.

"So far as I am able to determine," Capt. Day told me yesterday, "the indebtedness of the institution is not less than $80,000 and the crops and other products will not sell for more then $60,000, leaving a deficit of $20,000."

"Do you think you can make the institution self-sustaining?"

"I do, though it never has been done, if I can only get a board of directors to join me in my plans. Mr. Tillery says he would be willing to take the State farms and work the convicts if the State would give him one-tenth of the profit he could make, provided he had the contract for four years. He has made a fortune on the Roanoke farms and knows what he is talking about."

All appointments at the penitentiary have been turned over to Mr. Arendell and all on the farms to Mr. Tillery. Changes will be made from the present employes to Democrats as rapidly as possible. Mr. Tillery's official act. will be to turn out the twenty-seven negro guards on the Caledonia farms and put in white men. Mr. Tillery and Supervisor McIver left here on the noon train with seven white men who have been appointed guards. Capt. Day says that by Saturday night there will not be a negro in the employ of the penitentiary.

New Year's Day is being observed here as a holiday by the banks, postoffice and State offices.

The Cold Wave

struck this city Saturday night. For several days the weather had been almost as pleasant as in Spring. Exactly at 11 o'clock a strong northeast wind sprang up and by midnight the thermometer had fallen twenty degrees. Later in the night a light snow fell and bitter cold weather has prevailed ever since.

Mr. W. H. Smith, of this city, has just returned from Manila where he was in the signal corps. He advises every one to stay away from the Philippines, and opposes heir annexation.

Only one death occurred in Raleigh from typhoid fever during the past year.

Confederate Veterans.

The Confederate Veterans' Association of North Carolina will meet in special session here on Wednesday, January 25th.

Mr. Geo. Frapps, who has been elected a State chemist, in place of Mr. Miller, who has resigned, will not enter upon his duties until June 1st. He returned to Johns Hopkins University to-day to complete his Ph. D.

The members of the Legislature are now beginning to arrive. About a dozen came yesterday. There are many candidates for minor places here.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

About one-half of the members of the Legislature have arrived. The number of candidates for places is very large, and they are here.

All interest to-night is centered in the speakership. Judge Connor seems to be in the lead. His friends claim fifty votes on the first ballot; forty-eight being necessary to a choice. His election, however, is not conceded by his opponents—Overman, Craige and Moore. At a late hour to-night it seems probable that there will be before the caucus to-morrow night a combination of these three candidates, all from the West, to defeat Connor, who is the only candidate in the East. There is also talk of the withdrawal of Craige in favor of Moore; both being from the Ninth Congressional District.

PANIC IN A COAL MINE.

Shaft Caught Fire and the Suffocation of a Hundred Men Was Narrowly Averted.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CARLINVILLE, ILL., January 2.—The shaft of the Carlinville Coal Company caught fire to-day by a can of lubricating oil being heated on a stove on the top of the tipple. A strong southwest wind fanned the flames. The fire company was powerless, as there was no water in the mains. The burning timbers and fired coal tumbled down in the shaft. One hundred men were encaged below. The air shaft engine being seldom used, refused to work. A panic ensued below where the air had extinguished the flames on the lamps, leaving the men in total darkness. They were scattered over a radius of three miles. Suffocation was narrowly averted. A scene indescribable took place on top among the mothers, daughters and sweethearts of the miners.

The men were finally released from the mine unharmed. The loss will aggregate $10,000; $5,000 insurance.

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